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SUBJECT Soviet-Occupied Towns in Mecklenburg

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DATE OF INFO [REDACTED]

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SUPPLEMENT TO
REPORT NO.1. LUDWIGSLUST (T13), 30 October 1949

a. Barracks located 3 km south of LUDWIGSLUST on the road to GRADOL (T52) were not occupied. There was no vehicle traffic. Local residents believed troops from the area were still on maneuvers.

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b. SAP units are absent at LUDWIGSLUST airport, where barracks are held by about 1,400 troops wearing black shoulder straps/red piping and armored insignia. Scraps of letters found in the vicinity bore [REDACTED].

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Parked before sheds were twelve T-34/85's. Fifteen T-34's and three JS-1's returning from training, drew up before another garage. The third garage was closed, but engines were heard running. Two T-34/85's, coming from the direction of town, were towed into a repair shop near the garages. Vehicle traffic: [REDACTED]

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2. PARCHIM (T74), 31 October-1 November 1949

a. An unknown number of troops have been arriving at a barracks on the Karl Marx Strasse, the last men being billeted on 1 November. The barracks estimated capacity is 4,000 men; present strength is unknown.

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b. Twenty-one tanks were observed; seventeen T-34/85's, two JS-3, and two JS-1. Seven of the T-34/85's were in the barracks yard on 31 October; the other ten, unloaded at the railroad station, were numbered [REDACTED]

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c. The compound contains four vehicle sheds, two of which were closed. Vehicles seen were [REDACTED]. Some Studebakers in the P-4-21 series hauled in furniture. On 1 November, three armored scout cars, one ammunition tank, and twelve unlicensed trucks entered the yard.

3. PERLBURG (T10), 2 November 1949

Billeting of the PERLBURG garrison began on 6 November with the arrival of 1,000 men and seventeen T-34/85's. Troops and tanks were reviewed at a ceremony in the barracks yard.

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4. LAGENOI (T24), 8-9 November 1949

a. There are no barracks facilities in the town. Armored troops are in buildings placed in woods adjoining the airport. Three buildings are occupied by about 400 men each. Four other buildings are windowless and empty. Two large hangars were closed, but marks of tracked vehicles were seen near them, while four T-34/85's were observed at the southwest edge of the field. According to a local peasant, these troops have occupied the airport for a quarter of a year.

b. There are no SAF units at the field. Single-engine aircraft were stationed there temporarily during 1948.

c. Vehicles observed were in the [REDACTED]. Outgoing vehicles proceeded in the direction of SCHERIN (T46).

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Comment: [REDACTED] appears to be new, [REDACTED] minus the "85" was last credited in April 1949 to 59 Mech Regt, 18 Mech Div, at LUDWIGSLUST.

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